# NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

### **February 1, 2008**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, will be held on **Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Courtroom of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, on the ninth floor of the Harris County Administration Building, 1001 Preston Avenue, Houston, Texas, for the purpose of considering and taking action on matters brought before the Court.

Agendas may be obtained in advance of the court meeting in the office of the Commissioners Court Coordinator, Suite 938, Administration Building, 1001 Preston Avenue, Houston, Texas, in the Commissioners Court Courtroom on the day of the meeting, or via the internet at www.co.harris.tx.us/agenda.

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Commissioner, Precinct 2

Steve Radack
Commissioner, Precinct 3

Jerry Eversole
Commissioner, Precinct 4

No. 08.03

### AGENDA

February 5, 2008

10:00 a.m.

Opening prayer by Reverend George Curry of Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church in Houston.

### I. <u>Departments</u>

- 1. Public Infrastructure Department
  - a. Public Infrastructure
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  - d. Construction Programs
  - e. Flood Control District
  - f. Architecture & Engineering
  - g. Facilities & Property Management
- 2. Management Services
- 3. Public Health & Environmental Services
- 4. Community & Economic Development
- 5. Library Services
- 6. Youth & Family Services
- 7. Constables
- 8. Sheriff
- 9. Fire Marshal
- 10. County Clerk
- 11. District Clerk
- 12. County Attorney
- 13. District Attorney
- 14. Justices of the Peace

- 15. County Courts
- 16. Travel & Training
  - a. Out of Texas
  - b. In Texas
- 17. Grants
- 18. Fiscal Services & Purchasing
  - a. Auditor
  - b. Tax Assessor-Collector
  - c. Purchasing
- 19. Commissioners Court
  - a. County Judge
  - b. Commissioner, Precinct 1
  - c. Commissioner, Precinct 2
  - d. Commissioner, Precinct 3
  - e. Commissioner, Precinct 4
- 20. Miscellaneous
- II. Emergency/supplemental items
- III. Public Hearings
- IV. Executive Session
- V. Appearances before court

Adjournment

The Commissioners Court may go into executive session, if necessary, pursuant to chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, for one or more of the following reasons: (1) consultation with the County Attorney to seek or receive legal advice or consultation regarding pending or contemplated litigation; (2) discussion about the value or transfer of real property; (3) discussion about a prospective gift or donation; (4) consideration of specific personnel matters; (5) discussion about security personnel or devices; or (6) discussion of certain economic development matters. The Commissioners Court may announce that it will go into executive session on any item listed on this agenda if the subject matter is permitted for a closed session by provisions of chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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### I. <u>Departments</u>

### 1. Public Infrastructure Department

### a. Public Infrastructure

- 1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an engineering services agreement with Science Applications International Corporation for preparation of final design engineering reports covering installation and operations of a surveillance system for the Houston Ship Channel at a total cost of \$1,635,000, using Homeland Security grant funds.
- 2. Recommendation that the county be authorized to participate in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's Voluntary Cleanup Program for the Gessner at 290 facility at a cost of \$1,000, and for the County Judge to execute program documents.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate an interlocal agreement with the City of Galena Park authorizing the county to assist the city in meeting its new storm water permit requirements at the city's expense.
- 4. Recommendation for authorization to participate as a co-sponsor for the Houston-Galveston Area Council's 2008 Rivers, Lakes, Bays 'N Bayous Trash Bash March 29 in Houston in the amount of \$2,500.

### b. Right of Way

- 1. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing certain projects, decrees of public necessity and convenience, and acquisition of specific properties on behalf of the Flood Control District, to provide landowner relocation assistance up to \$22,500, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
  - a. Eighteen specific tracts in the Home Owned Estates, Woodland Trails West, and Gatewood subdivisions for the PDMC-PJ-06-TX-2007-003 project in Precincts 1, 2, and 4.
  - b. Thirty-five specific tracts in the Woodland Trails West, Woodland Oaks, Blue Bell Plaza, Blue Bell Manor, Humble Road Place, Aldine Estates, and Gatewood subdivisions for the FMA-PJ-06-TX-2007 project in Precincts 1 and 4.
  - c. Eight specific tracts in the Home Owned Estates, Humble Road Place, and Woodland Trails West subdivisions for the PDMC-PJ-06-TX-2007-016 project in Precincts 2 and 4.

- 2. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing certain projects in Precinct 1, decrees of public necessity and convenience, and acquisition of specific properties on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
  - a. One specific tract from US 59 to SH 288 for the Southbelt off site detention project.
  - b. Two specific tracts at Orange Grove and P118-19-03 for the Keith Weiss Park trail connection project.
- 3. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the county to purchase certain tracts for negotiated prices, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
  - a. Tract 007 at IH-10 and West Cedar Bayou Lynchburg Road for the Thompson Road-1 project in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$206,813, \$8,000 over the appraised value.
  - b. Tract 008 between Miami Road and West Curtis for the Southmore Street project in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$16,000, \$1,563 over the appraised value.
  - c. Tract 032 between South Main and Wafer for the Southmore Street project in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$13,600, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
  - d. Tracts 016 and DE 4 at the northeast corner of Morton Road and Katy Hockley Cut Off Road for the Katy-Fort Bend County Road-2 project in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$35,365, \$3,215 over the appraised value.
  - e. Tract 013 between Fenske Road and Manor Bend for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-1 project in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$42,044, \$8,920 over the appraised value.
  - f. Tract 026 on the east side of Cypress Rose Hill between Fenske Road and Emrose for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-1 project in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$7,168, \$2,000 over the appraised value.
  - g. Tract 027 on the east side of Cypress Rose Hill between Fenske Road and Emrose for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-1 project in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$7,279, \$2,000 over the appraised value.
  - h. Tract 008 at 16522 Cypress Rose Hill Road for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-1 project in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$57,633, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
  - i. Tract DP2 at 9250 Mills Road for the Perry Road Segment B project in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$192,000, 105% of the appraised value.
  - j. Tract 024 between Fenske and Emrose for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-1 project in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$54,000, 166% of the appraised value.
- 4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Flood Control District to dedicate to the public an aerial utility easement, Tracts 20-601.0 and 20-602.0 on the north side of Sims Bayou between Buffalo Speedway and White Heather Road for the C100-00-00 utility easement project in Precinct 1, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Flood Control District to dedicate to the public a road easement over, upon, and across Tract 002 along the easterly side of Huffmeister between Windshire and Jarvis for the Bergenia Street extension project in Precinct 3, and for the County Judge to execute the dedication of road easement.

### c. Toll Road Authority

- 1. Recommendation that the County Judge execute agreements/amendments, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions with:
  - a. TCB, Inc., for additional engineering services in the amount of \$180,000 for installation of trail blazer signs and three tolling zone areas and construction of the extension of Park Row Boulevard to serve the IH-10 managed lanes in Precinct 3.
  - b. TCB, Inc., to provide program management consultation services in the amount of \$9.5 million in connection with tasks associated with Senate Bill 792, identification of improvements to the existing toll road system, and upgrade and development of a timeline to implement modifications.
  - c. RZSK Investments, Inc., for lease of an EZ Tag store in the Pasadena Time Square Center at 4450 East Sam Houston Parkway South in Pasadena.
  - d. Houston-Galveston Area Council in the amount of \$220,517 to participate in a cost-shared purchase of oblique imagery, true color, and color infrared orthographic imagery, LiDAR, and related services.
- 2. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
  - a. Cobb Fendley & Associates to coordinate subsurface utility engineering in Precincts 3 and 4 as part of the Hempstead General Engineering Consultant Team.
  - b. Cobb Fendley & Associates for toll plaza design on the Gessner and Fallbrook entrance ramps in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$150,000.
  - c. TCB, Inc., for annual system-wide maintenance inspection of roadways, facilities, bridges, and retaining walls in all precincts at an estimated cost of \$350,000.
  - d. HNTB Corporation for the Sam Houston Tollway Ship Channel Bridge inspection in Precinct 2 at an estimated cost of \$100,000.
  - e. JNS Consulting Engineers, Inc., and RODS Surveying for right of way mapping and PBS&J and Survcon for land surveying services as part of the Hempstead General Engineering Consultant Team for the Hempstead tollway facility from Huffmeister Road to IH-610 in Precincts 3 and 4.
- 3. Request for authorization to use county vehicles for travel to seven adjacent counties during the fiscal year in connection with possible projects and agreements.
- 4. Recommendation for authorization to purchase four wreckers for use on the Katy Freeway managed lanes project for patron emergency assistance at an approximate total cost of \$272,974.

### d. Construction Programs

- 1. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts with:
  - a. D & W Contractors, Inc., contractor for proposed concrete roadway and parking lots at El Franco Lee Park in Precinct 1, adding 14 days and resulting in an addition of \$70,490 to the contract amount (07/0244-1).
  - b. Excalibur Excavation, LP, contractor for additional erosion protection for the bridge on Westmount Houston at Vogel Creek in Precinct 4, adding 36 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$12,686 to the contract amount (06/0445-3).
  - c. W.W. Webber, contractor for Hardy Toll Road pavement reconstruction and widening from Greens Road to Bammel Westfield, resulting in a reduction of \$2,798,283 from the contract amount (05/0117-11).
- 2. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate a professional services agreement with Geotest Engineering for material testing and coordination services during construction of the Harris County Atascocita Jail in Precinct 4.
- 3. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an architectural agreement with Pierce, Goodwin, Alexander & Linville in the amount of \$111,000 for the Atascocita bomb range in Precinct 4.

### e. Flood Control District

- 1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements/amendments with:
  - a. Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc., for engineering services in support of the Sims Bayou flood damage reduction plan in the amount of \$100,000 to obtain an independent engineering analysis of design and construction of the Buffalo Speedway Bridge over Sims Bayou in Precinct 1.
  - b. City of Houston for a multi-use facility with a regional storm water detention basin south of Halls Bayou, Unit P518-04-00 in Precinct 2.
  - c. City of Houston and Harris County for a multi-use facility with a regional storm water detention basin north of Halls Bayou, Unit P518-04-00 in Precinct 2.
  - d. Harris County to construct and maintain a public hike and bike trail in the Brays Bayou watershed along the channel of Units D100-00-00, D132-00-00, and D132-01-00 in Precinct 3.
  - e. Houston-Galveston Area Council in the amount of \$1.82 million for the costshared purchase of remote sensing including light detection and ranging and related services.
  - f. Huitt-Zollars, Inc., for additional engineering services in the amount of \$100,000 in support of the district's engineering and maintenance programs countywide.
  - g. Sprint Sand & Clay, LP, in the amount of \$1,000 for construction of regional detention basin No. K500-01-00 in the Cypress Creek watershed in Precinct 3.

- 2. Recommendation that the award for channel improvements on Goose Creek from Baker Road to north of West Lynchburg-Cedar Bayou Road in Precinct 2 be made to Texas Sterling Construction Company, lowest bid in the amount of \$8,381,725.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate agreements with:
  - a. Harris County regarding voluntary acquisition of approximately 38 flood prone properties under the 2007 Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Program.
  - b. Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Unit, for use of the district's property for law enforcement training programs on an ongoing basis.
- 4. Recommendation for authorization to close an interlocal agreement with the City of Hunters Creek Village for construction of improvements to Soldiers Creek, Unit W141-00-00, and associated storm sewers along Timberwilde Lane from Buffalo Bayou to Memorial Drive to provide improved area-wide drainage and conveyance of flood waters in Precinct 3.
- 5. Recommendation for authorization to terminate an encroachment agreement with BMP Hospitality for property at 17140 Northwest Freeway, Unit E127-00-00, Tract 02-004.0 in Precinct 4.
- 6. Recommendation for authorization to purchase a Nextel cellular phone with airtime service and accessories and add two cellular phone allowances.
- 7. Recommendation for authorization for the City of Houston to provide water service to two existing water connections in the Sims Bayou detention basin at 11600½ and 11900½ Scott in Precinct 1.
- 8. Recommendation for authorization for Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 65 to provide water service to an existing water connection in the Mason Creek detention basin at 24324 Ayscough Lane in Katy in Precinct 3.
- 9. Recommendation that Unit W567-02-00 in the Buffalo Bayou watershed in Precinct 4 be added to the district's stormwater management system for identification purposes only.
- 10. Recommendation for authorization for the district to renew member benefits with the American Water Resources Association as an associate member at a cost of \$500.

### f. Architecture & Engineering

- 1. Recommendation for authorization to seek bids for a three-week period for:
  - a. Reconstruction and left turn for North Main Road in Precinct 2 at an estimated cost of \$896,000.
  - b. Proposed roadway and Unit K161-00-00 improvements at Cypress North Houston Road from North Eldridge Parkway to Oak Plaza Drive/Marcia Drive in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$3.4 million.

- c. Asphalt overlay and base repair of two roads in the Katy area in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$863,000.
- d. Asphalt overlay and base repair of four roads in the Alief area in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$826,000.

### 2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:

- a. Tunal Acres in Precinct 3; C&C Surveying, Incorporated.
- b. Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
- c. Harris County MUD No. 468 water plant and lift station in Precinct 4; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.

### 3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:

- a. TBJ Properties, Inc., executed by St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company in the amount of \$45,755 for Barker Lake, Section Two in Precinct 3.
- b. Woodmere Development Co., Ltd., executed by Western Surety Company in the amount of \$18,046 for Cypresswood Drive and Louetta Road street dedication in Precinct 3.
- c. Lennar Homes of Texas Land and Construction, Ltd., executed by Federal Insurance Company in the amount of \$19,860 for Fairfield Village North, Section Four in Precinct 3.
- d. Katy Fort Bend (Houston) AIP III, LP, executed by Western Surety Company in the amount of \$23,263 for Katy Fort Bend Road street dedication in Precinct 3.
- e. Woodmere Development Co., Ltd., executed by Western Surety Company in the amount of \$22,380 for Villages of Cypress Lakes, Section 12 in Precinct 3.
- f. FCW, Ltd., executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America in the amount of \$18,938 for Fall Creek, Section 30 in Precinct 4.
- g. KB Home Lone Star, LP, executed by Federal Insurance Company in the amount of \$29,513 for Kenswick Forest, Section Six in Precinct 4.

### 4. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:

- a. Southwest Signal Supply, Inc., contractor for maintenance of traffic signal systems and related devices, resulting in an addition of \$14,442 to the contract amount (060036-9).
- b. John A. Walker Roofing Company, Inc., contractor for modified bitumen roof replacement for Annex 67 in Precinct 1, adding 45 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$44,833 to the contract amount (130724-1).
- c. Coleman Contracting Group, Inc., contractor for construction of three restroom buildings at Alexander Deussen Park in Precinct 1, adding 39 days and resulting in an addition of \$15,387 to the contract amount (060334-3).
- d. Frost Construction Company, Inc., contractor for the El Franco Lee Community Center and parking lots in Precinct 1, adding 101 days and resulting in an addition of \$27,336 to the contract amount (060207-3).
- e. Bussell & Sons, LLC, contractor for a proposed irrigation well at Paul D. Rushing Park in Precinct 3, adding 55 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$6,780 to the contract amount (070058-1).

- f. Boyer, Inc., contractor for an emergency generator system for Annex 83 RTC Building in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$1,774 to the contract amount (070196-1).
- 5. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute engineering services agreements/amendments with:
  - a. Midtown, LLC, in the amount of \$50,000 in connection with traffic engineering studies, general engineering services, traffic engineering services, traffic design, and minor specific engineering services.
  - b. Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc., in the additional amount of \$35,000 in connection with the study and report to evaluate and prioritize present and future transportation needs in Precinct 2.
  - c. LJA Engineering & Surveying, Inc., in the additional amount of \$64,270 for construction of Crenshaw Road from Beltway 8 to east of Space Center Boulevard in Precinct 2.
  - d. Ratnala & Bahl, Inc., in the additional amount of \$4,608 for construction of a storm sewer outfall system within the City of Tomball between the north sides of Graham Drive and Barbara Street in Precinct 4.
  - e. TCB, Inc., in the amount of \$526,408 in connection with construction of West Greens Road from west of Flood Control District Unit P150-00-00 to the west turn-out of proposed Cutten Road at Weeds Road in Precinct 4.
- 6. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from Frost Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of \$6,960 for wage rate penalties on the El Franco Lee Community Center in Precinct 1.
- 7. Recommendation for authorization to retain financial surety and repair and maintain infrastructure for Newmark Homes, LP, in the amount of \$2,400 for Cypresswood Glen Estates, Section Three in Precinct 4.
- 8. Recommendation for appropriate officials to take necessary actions and renew annual contracts with:
  - a. Bio Landscape & Maintenance, Inc., in the amount of \$195,510 for mowing and maintenance of various roads in Precinct 1.
  - b. Hydro Conduit of Texas, LP, dba Rinker Materials in the amount of \$70,000 to furnish and deliver various sizes of concrete pipes, saddle inlet risers, and related items for various locations in Precinct 2.
  - c. Bio Landscape & Maintenance, Inc., in the amount of \$631,180 for mowing and maintenance of various roads in Precinct 3.
  - d. Batterson, LLP, in the amount of \$175,000 for striping of various roads in the Spring Camp area in Precinct 4.
- 9. Recommendation that the court approve administrative corrections of award information to reflect:
  - a. Troy Construction, LLC, in lieu of Troy Construction, LLP, for first year renewal for slip lining in Precinct 1.

- b. Durwood Greene Construction Company in lieu of Durwood Greene Construction, LP, for reconstruction of various roads in the Crosby area in Precinct 4.
- 10. Recommendation that an initial wage rate determination be made on Oates Industries, Inc., for all subcontractors for violation of county prevailing wage rates on the Challenger 7 open air pavilion and restroom project in Precinct 1.
- 11. Transmittal of notice that an initial wage rate determination has been resolved for violation of county prevailing wage rates on Frost Construction Company, Inc., for subcontractor Turner Electric on the El Franco Lee Community Center project in Precinct 1.
- 12. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
  - a. CenterPoint Energy in the amount of \$1,400 for the cost of surveying at the East Harris County Soccer Complex in Precinct 2.
  - b. Petroleum Wholesale, LP, in connection with roadway improvements on Wallisville Road from Beltway 8 to the west in Precinct 2.
- 13. Recommendation that a technical defect be waived and that the award for the Pasadena Courthouse remediation phase at 816 SH 225 in Precinct 2 be made to Columbia Environmental Services, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$323,290, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 14. Recommendation that a request be granted for a variance from Harris County Driveway Regulations as submitted on behalf of Vopak Terminal at 2759 Battleground Road in Deer Park, Precinct 2.
- 15. Request for authorization to issue a request for qualifications from professional architectural consulting firms for services required for design of the Evelyn Meador County Library in Seabrook in Precinct 2.
- 16. Recommendation that the award for construction of Cypress Rose Hill Road from US 290 to north of Cypress Mill Park Drive in Precinct 3 be made to Pace Services, LP, lowest and best bid in the amount of \$5,175,968, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 17. Recommendation that the court approve a preliminary engineering report prepared by Zarinkelk Engineering Services, Inc., for construction of Tuckerton Road D from the east right of way line of Unit U106-13-00 to west of Telge Road in Precinct 3, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.

- 18. Recommendation that the only bid received to operate and maintain wastewater treatment plants at George Bush and Bear Creek parks in Precinct 3 be rejected, and the project be revised and readvertised for a two-week period at an estimated cost of \$50,000.
- 19. Recommendation for acceptance of performance and payment bonds on BuyBoard contracts from John A. Walker Roofing Co., Inc., for renovation of an existing storage facility at the Fire Marshal's Office in Precinct 4.
- 20. Recommendation that the court establish a public hearing date of February 19 to consider a street name change: Sunnyview Way to J.R. Towles Drive in Precinct 4.
- 21. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

### g. Facilities & Property Management

- 1. Request for approval of a purchase order in the amount of \$25,000 per month for January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008 for continued lease of the jail facility at 1307 Baker Street.
- 2. Request for approval of a change in ownership from HN Property Investments, Inc., to HMZ Holdings, LLC, for lease of space at 11509 Veterans Memorial for a Public Health clinic.
- 3. Request for authorization to renew annual agreements with:
  - a. Harris County Department of Education for lease of space at 600 Crosstimbers for storage space for the Law Library at a cost of \$400 per month.
  - b. Exchange Business Center, Inc., for lease of space at 5303 Glenmont for Public Health & Environmental Services at a cost of \$1,467 per month.

### 2. Management Services

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing acceptance of payments in connection with settlement of damages to county equipment and property in the total amount of \$43,085 and five workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$1,033; settlement of five tort claims in the total amount of \$11,782; denial of 16 claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period ending January 29.
- b. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute a release in exchange for payment to the county in the amount of \$1,364 in connection with settlement of an accident claim.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to participate in a job fair of the Houston Area Urban League February 18 in Houston at an approximate cost of \$900.

- d. Request for approval of an amendment to the deferred compensation plan with Nationwide Retirement Solutions, Inc., for county and Flood Control District employees effective February 19, 2008.
- e. Transmittal of investment transactions and maturities for the period of January 16-29.
- f. Request for approval of a payment not to exceed \$1,100 in connection with Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2004A and 2004B.
- g. Request for approval of a financial management product agreement in connection with Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Bonds, engagement of professionals, and other related matters.
- h. Request for acceptance of Reliant Park construction project invoice amounts for the period of August 2007 through December 2007 as approved by the Board of Directors of the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation.
- i. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

### 3. Public Health & Environmental Services

- a. Request for approval of three grant/loan agreements in the total amount of \$43,914 in connection with the Lead Hazard Control Program.
- b. Request for authorization for the Veterinary Public Health Division to join with various area animal protection agencies in sponsoring a Valentine's Day Pet Adoption Event February 14-18 at each individual facility, and for authorization to lower the rate for adoption of county pets on those dates.
- c. Request for approval of mileage reimbursement for an employee of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention who is working with Harris County PHES' Health Education and Promotion Division during the period of October 2007 through October 2009 in the approximate total amount of \$1,258.
- d. Request for authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$1,021 for the Animal Control Shelter.
- e. Request for authorization to purchase merchandise cards from Wal-Mart for supplies and clients for participation in HIV prevention focus groups.

### 4. Community & Economic Development

a. Request for approval of three deferred down payment assistance loans for certain low-and moderate-income homebuyers in Precincts 3 and 4 in the total amount of \$53,400.

- b. Request for approval of amendments to the Program Years 2006 and 2007 annual action plans.
- c. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with Lee College for design and construction of the Lee College Career Center at McNair in Precinct 2, adding Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$474,852 for a total budget of \$2,848,000.
- d. Request for authorization to release \$12,942 in recaptured funds in connection with a terminated historic site exemption for Icon Hotel.
- e. Request for approval of an affiliation agreement with the University of Houston Graduate College of Social Work to allow students to receive training from licensed staff in providing services to clients.

### 5. <u>Library Services</u>

- a. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with the City of Bunker Hill Village for the county to accept \$1,500 to purchase library materials and other items for the Spring Branch Memorial Library.
- b. Request for approval of indemnification for loss of funds in the total amount of \$14.

### 6. Youth & Family Services

### a. Domestic Relations

Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute renewal of an information release contract with the Texas Workforce Commission to allow continued access to individual employment information.

### b. Protective Services for Children & Adults

- 1. Request for authorization for the Systems of Hope Program to host family enrichment time and Parent Empowerment Group monthly meetings during the period of February 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008 for 75 participants at an approximate total cost of \$3,900.
- 2. Request for authorization to use TRIAD Community Residential funds in the amount of \$10,000 to purchase gift cards to provide emergency assistance to youth and families in the Community Youth Services, TRIAD, and Systems of Hope programs.

### c. Children's Assessment Center

Request for authorization to purchase a replacement personal digital assistant cellular device.

### 7. Constables

- a. Request by Constables Camus, Trevino, and Bailey, Precincts 5, 6, and 8, for approval of changes to lists of regular law enforcement personnel and reserve officers with oaths and/or bonds.
- b. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for authorization to purchase a replacement cellular phone.
- c. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization to:
  - 1. Reclassify a clerk position.
  - 2. Accept a donation in the amount of \$1,000 from Wal-Mart Stores, Incorporated.
  - 3. Appoint seven deputies to fill vacant positions.
  - 4. Correct the payroll records of two employees.
- d. Request by Constable Camus, Precinct 5, for approval of a:
  - 1. Reimbursement for an employee in the amount of \$31 for an equipment purchase.
  - 2. Law enforcement agreement with Bridgeland Council, Inc., for services of a deputy.
- e. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for approval of two temporary deputy positions to replace officers who are sick and on medical leave.
- f. Request by Constable Walker, Precinct 7, for authorization to accept donation of a small generator and an air conditioner unit for the Emergency Command Center trailer.

### 8. Sheriff

- a. Request for approval of changes to the list of reserve officers with oaths and/or bonds.
- b. Request for approval of a cellular phone allowance for an employee and for authorization to purchase two cellular phones for the Detention Bureau.
- c. Request for authorization to reimburse the Special Investigation Fund \$50 for two standardized field sobriety instructor proficiency certificates issued to instructor personnel in the Patrol Bureau.
- d. Request for authorization to credit certain subdivisions and Municipal Utility Districts for contract law enforcement services not provided during the period of January 1-4, 2008.

- e. Request for authorization to cancel a law enforcement agreement with Shannon Forest Association, Inc., and delete a deputy position effective February 2, 2008.
- f. Request for authorization to use certain county parking lot locations in each district for the Shred-It Program to allow residents in nearby communities to shred personal documents at no cost.
- g. Request for approval throughout the fiscal year for:
  - 1. Up to three employees to travel to Epps, La., on a monthly basis to ensure that care and control of county inmates is up to correct standards.
  - 2. Certain members of the Emergency Response Team to travel outside of the county and state in county vehicles to transport high risk prisoners.
  - 3. Certain members of the Field Operations Support Bureau Firearms Laboratory to travel outside of the county and state in county vehicles in support of firearms investigations.
  - 4. Certain members of the Patrol Bureau to travel outside of the county to obtain statements from suspects and witnesses in criminal investigations.
  - 5. Not to exceed four employees to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va., at a cost of \$2,000 each, with travel by county vehicle.
  - 6. Certain employees to attend Texas Jail Commission meetings in Austin.

### 9. Fire Marshal

- a. Request for authorization to purchase a replacement cellular phone at a cost of \$400.
- b. Request for authorization to accept a donation in the amount of \$784 from the Wal-Mart Foundation as part of their Community Heroes Program.
- c. Request for authorization to reimburse the City of McAllen \$275 for a conference fee.

### 10. County Clerk

- a. Transmittal of the minutes of the court's meeting of January 8, 2008.
- b. Request for authorization to reallocate hours from one temporary position to another.

### 11. **District Clerk**

- a. Request for approval of applications and agreements for use of the county's Subscriber Access and e-Clerk programs.
- b. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records of five employees.

### 12. County Attorney

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing litigation expenses in connection with cases in County Civil Courts Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, and the 80th, 113th, and 313th District Courts.
- b. Request for approval of orders authorizing suits and litigation expenses to compel compliance with revised county rules for onsite sewerage facilities, the Texas Health & Safety, Water, and Administrative codes at 11815 Suburban Road in Houston in Precinct 1, and the Texas Administrative and Water codes at 16217 Ridlon in Channelview in Precinct 2.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with Andrews Kurth, LLP, to serve as special counsel to represent the county in connection with certain public finance and governmental contracting matters for the Toll Road Authority.
- d. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- e. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement of a tort subrogation suit in connection with a case in County Civil Court No. 4.

### 13. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for authorization to purchase certain hardware and software to upgrade the computer forensic unit at an approximate cost of \$25,000, using discretionary funds.
- b. Request for authorization to issue a check in the amount of \$500,000 to the Harris County Community Supervision & Corrections Department to contribute to the Harris County DWI Court Program, using discretionary funds.

### 14. Justices of the Peace

- a. Request by Judge Risner, JP 2.2, for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- b. Request by Judge Ridgway, JP 5.1, for authorization to purchase two large viewing screens, two projectors, peripheral equipment, and installation services at a total cost of \$6,860.
- c. Request by Judge Burney, JP 7.2, for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.

### 15. County Courts

a. Request for authorization to purchase a cellular phone and related equipment at a cost of \$489.

b. Request for approval for the court to adopt a DWI Court Program for second offenders in accordance with HB 530.

## 16. Travel & Training

## a. Out of Texas

|      | Dept.      | # Emp. | Purpose  | Date(s)   | Location         | Cost     | Fund    |
|------|------------|--------|--|-----------|------------------|----------|---------|
| 1.I  | TC         | 2      | IBM mainframe trends and directions briefing                           | 3/11-12   | Poughkeepsie, NY | \$24     | General |
|      |            |        |  |           |                  | \$800    | Other   |
| 2.F  | PHES       | 1      | Action Communities for Health, Innovation, & Env. Change mtg.          | 2/24-26   | Atlanta, GA      | \$740    | Grant   |
| 3.F  | PHES       | 2      | American Mosquito Control Association annual meeting                   | 3/2-6     | Sparks, NV       | \$1,825  | Grant   |
|      |            |        |  |           |                  | \$1,825  | Other   |
| 4.F  | PHES       | 2      | Annual technical support conference                                    | 3/30-4/2  | Minneapolis, MN  | \$2,450  | Grant   |
| 5.0  | CED        | 2      | Natl. Conf. on Contracts & Grants for Soc. Serv. (\$4,776 appvd. 11/6) | 12/2-5/07 | Arlington, VA    | \$662    | General |
| 6.I  | Library    | 1      | Public Library Association Conference                                  | 3/25-30   | Minneapolis, MN  | \$1,846  | General |
| 7.F  | PSCA       | 1      | Helping America's Youth 3rd Anniversary Reception                      | 2/6-8     | Washington, DC   | \$1,125  | Grant   |
| 8.F  | PSCA       | 4      | Child Welfare League of America Conference                             | 2/24-27   | Washington, DC   | \$3,625  | General |
|      |            |        |  |           |                  | \$3,625  | Other   |
| 9.F  | PSCA       | 1      | Joint Mtg. on Adolescent Treatment Effectiveness (\$1,415 appvd. 1/22) | 3/24-27   | Washington, DC   | -        | Grant   |
| 10.S | Sheriff    | 1      | Gangs Across America Conference  | 3/18-22   | Las Vegas, NV    | \$1,650  | General |
| 11.I | Dist. Cts. | 1      | Court technology and management training                               | 3/4-12    | Indianapolis, IN | \$3,050  | General |
| 12.F | Pur. Agt.  | 1      | American Society of Health System Pharmacists meeting & expo           | 6/8-11    | Seattle, WA      | \$2,435  | General |
| S    | Subtotal   | 19     | Out of Texas average cost \$1,352 per employee                         |           |                  | \$25,682 |         |

# b. <u>In Texas</u>

|     | Dept.   | # Emp. | Purpose   | Date(s) | Location        | Cost    | Fund    |
|-----|---------|--------|---|---------|-----------------|---------|---------|
| 1.  | PID/P&O | 1      | Annual Tx. On-site Wastewater Treatment Research Council Conf.    | 3/3-5   | Waco            | \$719   | General |
| 2.  | PID/ROW | 1      | Basic appraisal principles and procedures seminar                 | 2/4-12  | Houston         | \$850   | General |
| 3.  | PID/TRA | 2      | Human resource law update seminar                                 | 3/12    | Houston         | \$695   | TRA     |
| 4.  | PID/TRA | 4      | Geographic Information System for Transportation Symposium        | 3/17-19 | Houston         | \$1,100 | TRA     |
| 5.  | PID/FCD | 1      | Electrical safety training*                                       | 2/8     | Texas City      | \$43    | FCD     |
| 6.  | PID/FCD | 5      | Intl. Conference on Project Management Best Practices             | 2/27    | Houston         | \$1,661 | FCD     |
| 7.  | PID/FCD | 2      | Business analyst training (\$2,830 appvd. 12/18/07 - Date Change) | 3/3-4   | Houston         | -       | FCD     |
| 8.  | PID/FCD | 1      | Land Use Conference   | 3/5-7   | Austin          | \$1,130 | FCD     |
| 9.  | PID/FCD | 30     | Flood Control District's Administrative Professionals Conference  | 4/3-4   | Houston         | \$5,000 | FCD     |
| 10. | PID/A&E | 7      | Construction, geotechnical & flooding issues seminar              | 3/7     | Houston         | \$560   | General |
| 11. | PID/A&E | 2      | Green building technologies seminar                               | 4/3-4   | Houston         | \$300   | General |
| 12. | MS/OBM  | 2      | Jail Symposium: Crowding in Texas - Orgins & Solutions            | 2/6-7   | San Antonio     | \$637   | General |
| 13. | ITC     | 1      | Multi Agency Coordination Group training                          | 2/18-22 | College Station | \$74    | General |
|     |         |        |   |         |                 | \$750   | Other   |
| 14. | ITC     | 2      | IBM system category p and storage technology update               | 2/20-22 | Austin          | \$48    | General |
|     |         |        |   |         |                 | \$830   | Other   |
| 15. | ITC     | 1      | Archives class speaker & transport materials to conservators      | 3/4     | Austin          | \$168   | General |
| 16. | PHES    | 2      | Immunization Grant Technical Assistance Conference                | 2/25-26 | Austin          | \$536   | Grant   |
| 17. | PHES    | 1      | QuarkXpress training  | 3/3-4   | Houston         | \$925   | Grant   |

|             | Dept.      | # Emp. | Purpose   | Date(s)      | Location       | Cost               | Fund             |
|-------------|------------|--------|---|--------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 18.         | PHES       | 12     | Tx. Mosquito Control Association workshop*                      | 3/11-13      | Kerrville      | \$1,432            | General          |
| -           | PHES       | 13     | Executive staff strategic planning session & training           | 3/28         | Houston        | \$6,265            | Grant            |
| 20.         | PHES       | 1      | Conference for Food Protection                                  | 4/11-15      | San Antonio    | \$1,000            | General          |
| 21.         | PHES       | 6      | State Hurricane Conference*                                     | 5/19-23      | Galveston      | \$3,335            | Grant            |
| 22.         | PHES       | 1      | Proposal writing seminar  | 5/28         | Houston        | \$195              | General          |
| 23.         | CED        | 1      | Participant in National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day            | 2/7          | Houston        | \$5                | General          |
| 24.         | CED        | 2      | Fall in Love with Houston's East End Valentine's Day Luncheon   | 2/14         | Houston        | \$64               | General          |
| 25.         | CED        | 1      | Protocol based counseling training                              | 2/18-22      | Houston        | \$5                | General          |
| 26.         | CED        | 3      | Federal Transit Authority real estate requirements*             | 3/26-27      | Houston        | \$900              | Other            |
| 27.         | CED        | 2      | Transportation Summit (\$2,500 appvd. 1/8-Date Change/Add Funds | )8/11-15     | Irving         | \$570              | Grant            |
|             | CED        | 2      | National Association of Social Workers course                   | 4/14-18      | Austin         | \$2,534            | General          |
| 29.         | Library    | 13     | Reaching Our Spanish-Speaking Audience seminar                  | 2/18         | Friendswood    | \$151              | General          |
| 30.         | Juv. Prob. | 2      | Children at Risk Children's Summit                              | 2/5          | Houston        | \$192              | Grant            |
| 31.         | Juv. Prob. | 1      | Annual Attention Deficit Disorder Conference                    | 2/15-16      | Houston        | \$272              | Grant            |
| 32.         | Juv. Prob. | 3      | Texas Youth Commission*   | 3/1-2/28     | Various        |                    | General          |
| 33.         | Juv. Prob. | 1      | Texas Youth Commission  | 3/1-2/28     | Various        | \$24,000           | General          |
| 34.         | Juv. Prob. | 3      | Texas Juvenile Probation Commission                             | 3/1-2/28     | Austin         | \$10,150           | Grant            |
| 35.         | Juv. Prob. | 3      | Court ordered placements  | 3/1-2/28     | Various        | \$30,000           | General          |
| 36.         | Juv. Prob. | 4      | Girls Inspiring for Future & Timeless Success Prog. (25 youth)* | 3/18         | Brenham        |                    | General          |
| 37.         | Juv. Prob. | 4      | Girls Inspiring for Future & Timeless Success Prog. (25 youth)* | 3/29         | Huntsville     | \$108              | General          |
| 38.         | PSCA       | 2      | Cost report training requirements annual meeting                | 2/7-8        | Austin         | \$790              | General          |
| 39.         | PSCA       | 1      | Eating Disorders Conference of Houston                          | 2/22         | Houston        | \$60               | General          |
| 40.         | PSCA       | 40     | Cradle to Prison Pipeline Texas Summit                          | 3/14         | Houston        |                    | General          |
|             |            |        |   |              |                |                    | Grant            |
| -           | PSCA       | 2      | Star of the South Dental Meeting                                | 3/29         | Houston        | 1                  | General          |
| 42.         | PSCA       | 95     | Youth & Family Services Division Conference                     | 4/23-24      | Houston        | \$6,545<br>\$1,530 | General<br>Grant |
| 43.         | CAC        | 2      | Play Therapy Conference   | 2/29         | Houston        | 1                  | General          |
| -           | CAC        | 1      | Texas Association of Marriage & Family Therapy Conference       | 3/27-28      | Galveston      | 1                  | General          |
|             | Sheriff    | 1      | Project Safe Neighborhoods quarterly meeting                    | 1/23         | Huntsville     | 1                  | General          |
| 46.         | Sheriff    | 1      | Jail Symposium: Crowding in Texas - Orgins & Solutions*         | 2/5-8        | Austin         |                    | General          |
|             | Sheriff    | 2      | Texas Commission on Jail Standards meeting*                     | 2/5-8        | Austin         |                    | General          |
| 48.         | Sheriff    | 3      | Medical pathology investigators training                        | 2/11-12      | Sugarland      | \$900              | Other            |
| 49.         | Sheriff    | 155    | Case management training  | 2/11, 25, 26 | Houston        | \$14,000           | Other            |
| 50.         | Sheriff    | 1      | 9-1-1 trainers meeting*   | 2/13         | Dallas         | \$270              | Other            |
| 51.         | Sheriff    | 1      | Texas Emergency Number Association training*                    | 2/17-21      | Austin         | \$390              | Other            |
| 52.         | Sheriff    | 150    | Arrest, search, & seizure training                              | Various      | Humble         | \$5,625            | Other            |
| 53.         | Sheriff    | 6      | Homicide Investigators of Texas Conference*                     | 4/14-19      | Austin         | \$2,900            | General          |
| <u>54</u> . | Sheriff    | 50     | Low-light operator's/trainer's course                           | 3/1-2/28     | Humble         | \$5,940            | Other            |
| 55.         | Co. Clk.   | 2      | Texas College of Probate Judges workshop                        | 3/26-28      | Corpus Christi | \$2,020            | General          |
| 56.         | Dist. Clk. | 1      | Task force meeting for emergency preparedness                   | 2/28         | Austin         | \$225              | General          |
| 57.         | CA         | 1      | Legal education seminar   | 2/27         | Houston        | \$200              | General          |
| 58.         | JP 1.2     | 6      | Texas Justice Court training seminar                            | 5/14-16      | Galveston      | \$405              | General          |
| 59.         | JP 7.1     | 1      | Justice of the Peace training seminar                           | 4/8-11       | San Antonio    | \$406              | General          |
| 60.         | Co. Cts.   | 1      | Judicial Workload Assessment Committee meeting                  | 2/22         | Austin         | \$375              | General          |
| 61.         | Dist. Cts. | 1      | How to offer and exclude evidence seminar                       | 3/13-14      | Houston        | \$75               | General          |
| 62.         | Auditor    | 10     | Subrecipients vs. vendor determinations on federal grants sem.  | 2/5          | Houston        | \$299              | General          |

| Dept.        | # Emp. | Purpose  | Date(s)     | Location        | Cost      | Fund    |
|--------------|--------|--|-------------|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| 63. Auditor  | 10     | Government auditing standards seminar                              | 2/12        | Houston         | \$299     | General |
| 64. Tax A-C  | 2      | Ethics for property tax professionals course                       | 2/25-27     | Houston         | \$275     | General |
| 65.Tax A-C   | 13     | Texas Association of Assessing Officers review course              | 4/18, 21-23 | Houston         | \$2,625   | General |
| 66.Tax A-C   | 13     | Board of Tax Professional Examiners exam                           | 4/24        | Houston         | \$1,150   | General |
| 67. Tax A-C  | 2      | Property appraisal course  | 3/3-7       | Houston         | \$325     | General |
| 68.Tax A-C   | 1      | Texas School Assessors Association, Inc., annual conference        | 3/30-4/2    | Austin          | \$875     | General |
| 69.Co. Judge | 1      | Clean Air Through Energy Efficiency Conference                     | 12/17-18/07 | San Antonio     | \$285     | General |
| 70.Co. Judge | 1      | Grantor Leadership for Outcomes seminar                            | 2/13        | Houston         | \$25      | General |
| 71.OHSEM     | 2      | Multi-Agency coordination group course*                            | 2/18-22     | College Station | \$360     | General |
| 72. OHSEM    | 2      | Preparedness & Response Symposium*                                 | 3/17-19     | Plano           | \$1,500   | General |
| 73.Com. 1    | 3      | Children at Risk Children's Summit                                 | 2/5         | Houston         | \$115     | General |
| 74.Com. 1    | 2      | Plumbing license renewals course                                   | 2/23        | Houston         | \$140     | General |
| 75.Com. 1    | 2      | Facilities management seminar                                      | 3/19-20     | Houston         | \$374     | General |
| 76.Com. 2    | 1      | Tx. Public Finance Conf. (\$716 appvd. 1/22-Date Change/Add funds) | 2/9-12      | Ft. Worth       | \$354     | General |
| 77.Com. 2    | 1      | Enhanced incident management/unified command training*             | 2/11 & 15   | College Station | \$549     | Other   |
| 78.Com. 2    | 1      | Continuing legal education training                                | 3/13-14     | Houston         | \$425     | General |
| Subtotal     | 736    | In Texas average cost \$219 per employee                           |             |                 | \$161,025 |         |
|              |        |  |             |                 |           |         |
| Total        | 755    |  |             |                 | \$186,707 |         |

<sup>\*</sup>Travel by county vehicle

| ( | General   | Grant    | Other    | Total     |
|---|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 9 | \$110,609 | \$30,065 | \$46,033 | \$186,707 |

| Cumulative | Out of Texas | In Texas    | Total       |
|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| FY 2007-08 | \$1,279,229  | \$2,253,596 | \$3,532,825 |

### 17. **Grants**

- a. Request by the **PID Flood Control District** for authorization to initiate the development of a potential grant application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the Severe Repetitive Loss Program.
- b. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$40,000 from the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors for the Action Communities for Health, Innovation, and Environmental Change Initiative grant.
- c. Request by **Community & Economic Development** for authorization to accept entitlement grant funds in amounts of \$10,820,034, \$475,349, and \$3,387,396 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Shelter, Home Investment Partnership, and American Dream Downpayment Initiative programs.

- d. Request by the **County Library** for authorization to:
  - 1. Accept grant funds in the amount of \$3,000 from the Edith and Robert Zinn Foundation for the Summer Reading Program for children.
  - 2. Submit an application to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission for Houston Area Library System grant funds in the amount of \$10,000 for staff development workshops.
- e. Request by **Protective Services for Children & Adults** for authorization to submit a renewal application to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services for grant funds in the amount of \$150,000 for the Safety Net Program.
- f. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization to accept grant funds in amounts of \$56,489 and \$40,750 from Sam Houston State University for the Project Safe Neighborhoods anti-gang initiative programs.
- g. Request by the **District Clerk** for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$50,000 from Brown Foundation, Inc., for the Historical Records Preservation Project.
- h. Request by the **District Attorney** for approval of an amendment to an interlocal agreement with the City of Houston for grant funds in the amount of \$99,137 for the Stay in School Program.
- i. Request by the **County Judge** for authorization to accept amendments to agreements with the Division of Emergency Management of the Office of the Governor for the 2006 Homeland Security Grant Program to be extended through February 28, 2009, and the 2005 Homeland Security Grant Program through July 30, 2008.

### 18. Fiscal Services & Purchasing

### a. Auditor

- 1. Request for approval of final payments to:
  - a. AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc., for a proposed sidewalk on Kuykendahl Road from Cypresswood to Strack Intermediate School in Precinct 4.
  - b. Frost Construction Co., Inc., for development of Arthur Bayer Park in Precinct
  - c. ISI MCS, Ltd., for installation and replacement of an intercom and door control system at the Harris County Inmate Processing Center at 1201 Commerce for Public Infrastructure.
  - d. Westco Grounds Maintenance Co., Inc., for a term contract to furnish, deliver, and install an irrigation system for the Mason Creek extension project for the Flood Control District.
- 2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.

- 3. Request for approval of payroll contributions and payments for the period of March 1, 2008 February 28, 2009 for the county and Flood Control District.
- 4. Request for approval of an order following policies and procedures for payment of authorized salaries, utilities, materials, supplies, and other claims prior to adoption of the budget for FY 2008-09.
- 5. Transmittal of an unaudited and unadjusted monthly financial report for December.
- 6. Transmittal of audited claims.

### b. <u>Tax Assessor-Collector</u>

Request for approval of tax refund payments.

### c. Purchasing

- 1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
  - a. Landfill services for Type IV, non-putrescible, non-compacted solid waste for the county and the Flood Control District.
  - b. Services and support for software, hardware, and operating system for the Flood Control District.
  - c. Sampler and flow equipment and related items for the Flood Control District.
  - d. Cisco upgrade equipment for the Toll Road Authority.
  - e. Psychological testing services for Protective Services for Children & Adults.
  - f. Family therapy services for Protective Services for Children & Adults.
  - g. Provide printed EZ Tag materials for the Toll Road Authority.
- 2. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for Information Technology, County Library, Protective Services for Children & Adults, Medical Examiner, Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management, District Courts, and the Flood Control District.
- 3. Recommendation that awards be made to:
  - a. Lason Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$20,049 for maintenance of Fujitsu scanners and Plasmon M104 Jukebox for the Flood Control District.
  - b. Crosby Rd Construction, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$483,052 to furnish, deliver, install, and maintain various species of trees, shrubs, wildflowers, and related items for the Toll Road Authority, and approval of bonds and authorization for the County Judge to execute the contract.
  - c. Hancock, Jahn, Lee & Puckett, LLC, dba Communication Axess Ability Group at an approximate cost of \$175,000 for interpreter services for hearing impaired persons for the county for the period ending January 31, 2009, and approval of a modification permitting the vendor to receive full payment for no shows and cancellations, allowing the county to award at the discounted rate provided in the bid.

- d. Brothers Body and Equipment, LLC, low bid in the amount of \$79,998 for two trailers with installed accessories for the county, and authorization for the County Judge to execute the contract.
- e. The Data Center, overall low bid in the amount of \$30,888 to provide and mail alarm permits, alarm permit renewal notifications, and false alarm invoices for the county for the period of February 5, 2008-January 31, 2009.
- f. Smart Start, Inc., lowest bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$46,869 for portable alcohol breath analyzers for Community Supervision & Corrections for the period of February 8, 2008-February 7, 2009.
- g. Anixter, Inc., Communication Supply Corp., and Graybar Electric in the amount of \$150,000 for telephone and data cable for the county and the Harris County Hospital District for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009.
- h. Howard Johnson's Catering for the Westside Service Center and Excel Academy, north and south, and Aramark Correctional Services, LLC, for the Delta Boot Camp for food catering for Juvenile Probation and Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program, and approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements for the period ending August 31, 2008.
- 4. Recommendation that all bids for printed EZ Tag materials for the Toll Road Authority be rejected and that the project be readvertised with revised specifications.
- 5. Recommendation that a job for sale at public auction of Flood Control District Base Camp No. 4 at 13996 Katy Freeway be cancelled as the only bid did not meet minimum requirements.
- 6. Recommendation that bids be rejected for preventative maintenance, calibration, inspection, and repair of portable gas detection units, and related items for Public Health & Environmental Services and the project be readvertised at a later date.
- 7. Request for approval of renewal options with:
  - a. Bloomberg, LP, for lease of a financial information network for Financial Services for the period of April 17, 2008-April 26, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$45,000.
  - b. Approved Remediation & Recycling of Oil Waste, Inc., for sale of surplus/salvage petroleum products for the county for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 with revenue of \$5,000.
  - c. Abitibi Consolidated, Inc., to furnish recycling containers and purchase recyclable paper products for the county for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 with revenue of \$3,200.
  - d. Jim Brown Express Mobil X-ray, Inc., for mobile x-ray services for Juvenile Probation for the period of May 1, 2008-April 30, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$50,000.
  - e. Full Spectrum Analytics, Inc., for maintenance of Agilent equipment and software for the Medical Examiner for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$37,080.

- f. Interstate Reprographics & Printing for reproduction services for the county for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$115,000.
- g. Der Graphics, Inc., for custom printed file folders for the County Clerk's Office for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$26,880.
- h. Allen's Western Wear & Saddlery for uniform hats for the Sheriff's Department for the period of May 1, 2008-April 30, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$138,880.
- i. Bailey's House of Guns, Inc., for leather goods and related items for the Sheriff's Department for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$32,000.
- j. Atser, LP, for a capital improvement project management and tracking software system for the Toll Road Authority for the period of February 8, 2008-February 7, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$21,000.
- k. Clear Channel Outdoor for billboard advertising for Public Infrastructure for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$69,120.
- 1. TLS Graphics, Inc., for various printed materials for Public Infrastructure for the period of May 1, 2008-April 30, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$30,400.
- m. Uretek USA, Inc., for hydro-insensitive polyurethane foam materials and installation for the county for the period of May 15, 2008-May 14, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$655,000.
- n. Bio Landscape and Maintenance, Inc., for mowing and debris removal in the Clear Lake area for the Flood Control District for the period of April 1, 2008-March 31, 2009, and approval of an annual increase of \$3,519 for an estimated cost of \$194,217.
- 8. Request for approval of an extension of an agreement with Richards Carlberg, Inc., for public relations services for the Urban Stormwater Management Study for the Flood Control District, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute the amendment for the period ending January 31, 2009.
- 9. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute amendments/agreements with:
  - a. Novasys Technologies, Inc., for application development, maintenance, and support for Ryan White CARE Act Title I funded centralized patient care data management system for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services Division in the amount of \$199,125 for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009.
  - b. Eligah King for financial and business services for Protective Services for Children & Adults in the additional amount of \$7,500 for a total of \$31,500 for the period ending March 31, 2008.
  - c. Montrose Clinic dba Legacy Community Health Services in the additional amount of \$300,000 for primary care and medical case management services for Ryan White eligible clients for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services Division for the period ending February 29, 2008.

- d. Montrose Clinic dba Legacy Community Health Services decreasing the contract by \$300,000 for local medication program services for Ryan White eligible clients for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services Division for the period ending February 29, 2008.
- 10. Request for approval of sole source, personal services, and other exemptions from the competitive bid process and approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements with:
  - a. Applied Biosystems for purchase of certain products that are proprietary to the 3100 Avant genetic analyzer for the Medical Examiner's Office at an approximate cost of \$199,350.
  - b. Voice4net.com for purchase of software for an upgrade to the IVR system for the District Courts at an approximate cost of \$41,800.
  - c. Phonoscope Communications, Inc., for purchase of ethernet automatic protection switching circuits for the Architecture & Engineering Division in the amount of \$57,600 for the period beginning March 24, 2008 for a term of five years.
  - d. The Library Corporation for AquaBrowser software license, patches, updates, support, and maintenance for the County Library for the period of December 5, 2007-December 4, 2008 at no additional cost to the county.
  - e. Mercury Associates, Inc., for an automated fleet management data services system for Fleet Services, the Flood Control District, and Commissioners of Precincts 1, 2, and 3 in the total amount of \$262,500 for the period of March 1-December 31, 2008.
  - f. FileControl Partners, Ltd., for document management and file retention services for the Purchasing Department in the amount of \$53,820 for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009.
  - g. Mel Brown and Associates for training and monitoring of cognitive reflective communication for Community Supervision & Corrections in the amount of \$26,133.
  - h. William T. Hand for hazardous-materials training services and service as a hazardous-materials team training coordinator for the Fire Marshal in the amount of \$25,000 for the period of February 5, 2008-February 4, 2009.
  - i. Charles Rex Powell for STAR Family Intervention Court Program coordinator services for the STAR Family Intervention Court in the amount of \$59,040 for the period ending August 31, 2008.
- 11. Request for authorization for a list of county surplus and/or confiscated property to be sold at internet auction and for disposal of unsold surplus items.
- 12. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the amount of \$22,025 for county equipment sold at Houston Auto Auction December 29, 2007.
- 13. Transmittal of bids and proposals for advertised jobs that were opened January 28 and February 4, 2008 by the Office of the Purchasing Agent, and request for approval of recommendations for disposition.

### 19. Commissioners Court

### a. County Judge

- 1. Request for approval of resolutions designating:
  - a. February 26-March 22 as Go Texan Days, and further recognizing February 29 as the official Go Texan Day for county employees.
  - b. March 26 as Harris County Night with the Houston Rockets.
- 2. Transmittal of an order establishing May 10 as the election date for boards of commissioners of emergency service districts.
- 3. Request for approval of an agreement with Gateway To Care in the amount of \$10,000 for services in support of the Harris County Citizen Corps Council.
- 4. Request for authorization to extend positions for the Ryan White Planning Council's Office of Support for the period of February 16, 2008 through February 28, 2009 pending award of grant funds.
- 5. Request by the Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.

### b. Commissioner, Precinct 1

- 1. Request for approval to replace a cellular phone.
- 2. Request for consideration and approval of a resolution recognizing Artie Carter on the occasion of his retirement.
- 3. Request for approval to accept donation of two conveyor roller section tables for the Horticulture Division.

### c. Commissioner, Precinct 2

- 1. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the City of La Porte to increase the Sylvan Beach park public fishing pier escrow account from \$150,000 to \$450,000.
- 2. Request for approval to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- 3. Request for recognition of the consolidation of the East Harris County Senior Citizens and East Harris County Youth Program into Precinct2gether, Inc., as a single comprehensive non-profit organization.

### d. Commissioner, Precinct 3

- 1. Request for authorization to accept a check in the amount of \$500 from Houston Racing Club to purchase coffee and miscellaneous refreshment supplies for Mary Joe Peckham Park for All Children.
- 2. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements in connection with the Adopt a County Road program with:
  - a. Severn Trent Environmental Services for cleanup along the roadsides of Longenbaugh Road from Highway 6 to Queenston Boulevard for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009.
  - b. Boy Scouts of America, Troop No. 1001, for cleanup along the roadsides of North Mason Road from Morton Road to Franz Road for the period of March 15, 2008-March 14, 2009.
- 3. Transmittal of notice of traffic sign installations.

### e. Commissioner, Precinct 4

Request for authorization to add a \$550 monthly car allowance to a position effective February 1, 2008.

### 20. Miscellaneous

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with the 334th District Court and County Civil Courts Nos. 2, 3, and 4.
- b. Transmittal of notice of intent to issue La Vernia Higher Education Finance Corporation Education Revenue Bonds Series 2008 in a principal amount not to exceed \$12 million to finance the cost of property and construction and equiping of school classrooms and related facilities.

### II. Emergency/supplemental items

### III. Public Hearings

### IV. Executive Session

- 1. Request by Public Infrastructure for an executive session to review trust information in connection with purchase of Tracts 008 and 009 for the Queenston Boulevard-1 Project in Precinct 3.
- 2. Request by the Commissioner of Precinct 3 for an executive session for reappointment of Johnny Montalbano to the board of the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation for a term ending January 26, 2011.

### V. Appearances before court

### 1. 3 minutes

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted relates to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be requested by the County Judge or other presiding court member to come to the podium where they will be limited to three minutes (3). A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be limited to three minutes (3) if they have not appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings.

### 2. <u>1 minute</u>

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda and who has appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings will be limited to one minute (1).

### Adjournment.

### **Commissioners Court**

County Judge Commissioners (4)

#### Services

Public Infrastructure Management Services Information Technology Public Health & Environmental Services Community & Economic Development Library Services Youth & Family Services

### Fiscal Services & Purchasing

Auditor Treasurer Tax Assessor-Collector Purchasing

Administration of Justice

Constables (8)

Sheriff

Sheriff's Civil Service

Fire & Emergency Services

Medical Examiner

County Clerk

District Clerk

County Attorney

District Attorney

Community Supervision & Corrections

Pretrial Services

Justices of the Peace (16)

County Courts (19)

Probate Courts (4)

District Courts (59)

Courts of Appeals (2)

Elected Appointed

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